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1. A part of the 1934 class is being called up by the Army, especially for service in technical units such as the armored troops, artillery units, communications troops, air force, and KEW (Internal Security Corps) troops. The conscription of this section of the 1934 class have already begun and scheduled to continue until 10 April 1954.
2. The majority of the remainder of this class will be called into the Army during the period from 15 September to 15 October 1954. During the fall of 1954, the Army will also call up all men born in 1933, 1932, 1931, and all those up to 28 years of age at the time of the call-up, who have had their military service deferred for various reasons and have not previously performed it.
3. Men of the 1934 class will be granted deferments on the same basis as in the past, i.e., in cases involving: (a) a man who is the only provider for a family (this excuse is very rarely accepted in practice by the government); (b) sickness; (c) studies, although students are also being called up by the Army, but principally for political reasons; and (d) men described as indispensable specialists by the organization or firm employing them. The secret order issued by the Polish Ministry of National Defense states inter alia that at least 80 per cent of the 1934 class must enter the Army and that requests for deferments must be accepted only in exceptional cases.

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